

**ELK TOWNSHIP  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
May 7, 2020**

The Regular Meeting of the Elk Township Committee was held on the above date in the Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sammons at 7:03PM.

The Open Public Meeting Notice was read. The Salute to the Flag and the Lord's Prayer were recited in unison.

Present were: Mr. Hollywood, Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. Poisker, Mr. Rambo, Mayor Sammons, Mr. Considine, CFO, and Mrs. Pine, Township Clerk. Mr. Duffield, Solicitor (via teleconference), Mr. Bitgood (via teleconference). Chief Hughes was absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of April 21, 2020 Work Session

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Hollywood to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2020, Work Session, all were in favor motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mrs. Nicholson said Environmental ordered 175 saplings. They have moved the pick up to Jackson, NJ. She will talk to the members of environmental to see if there is someone who would like to take a ride to pick them up.

Mayor Sammons asked the county representative, Mr. Schmidt if the County will be showing movies in the park. Elk is scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Schmidt will contact the County Recreation and get the answer to Mrs. Pine.

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT**

Mr. Rambo read the police report for the month of April. The department received 2476 calls for service, responded to 6 accidents, issued 17 motor vehicle summons and 2 warnings, and made 1 arrest.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Aura Fire Company responded to 11 calls in the month of April. There was a great response to the Company taking the Easter Bunny around town. There was no report from Ferrell or Lawn's Fire Company's.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Bitgood, stated Community Development Block Grant Applications are due by May 21, 2020. His first recommendation is to apply for Fifth Avenue. Committee was in agreement, an application will be submitted to CDBG for Fifth Avenue.

Stanger Avenue additional drainage and pipe work has been completed and is working properly. After investigating Arch Street, it was determined the fence that was installed by the resident is contributing to the water runoff reported by the resident. The resident was made aware there is nothing the township can do.

**PUBLIC PORTION** on Agenda Items only.

Motion by Mr. Hollywood to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Poisker, all were in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Sammons asked if anyone had any questions on agenda items to speak at this time.

No one spoke.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson to close the public portion, seconded by Mr. Hollywood, all were in favor, motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION R-53-2020  
RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLASS II SPECIAL OFFICER FOR THE ELK TOWNSHIP  
POLICE DEPARTMENT- Sean D. Weston**

Motion by Mr. Rambo, seconded by Mr. Hollywood to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

**RESOLUTION R-54-2020  
RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLASS II SPECIAL OFFICER FOR THE ELK TOWNSHIP  
POLICE DEPARTMENT- I. Hunter Moore**

Motion by Mr. Rambo, seconded by Mr. Hollywood to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

**RESOLUTION R-55-2020  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF GRACE PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER  
PROPERTY TAX TO JUNE 1, 2020**

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Poisker to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

**RESOLUTION R-56-2020  
RESOLUTION FOR THE INSERTION OF A  
SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET  
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 – 2020 MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM – EWAN ROAD**

Motion by Mr. Poisker, seconded by Mr. Hollywood to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

**RESOLUTION R-57-2020  
RESOLUTION FOR THE INSERTION OF A  
SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET  
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 – 2020 LOCAL FREIGHT IMPACT FUND PROGRAM  
JACOB HARRIS LANE**

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Poisker to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

**RESOLUTION R-58-2020**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PUBLIC SALE BY AUCTION OF BLOCK 67, LOT 18 (283 UNION STREET) AND ESTABLISHING A MINIMUM BID AMOUNT**

Motion by Mr. Poisker, seconded by Mr. Rambo to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

**RESOLUTION R-59-2020**

**RESOLUTION TO GO INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS IN REGARDS TO ELK TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT AND POTENTIAL LITIGATION REGARDING AURA I DEVELOPMENT**

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Poisker to adopt and approve said Resolution, all were in favor, motion carried.

**PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION R-26-2020**

**THERE IS A TIME LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER PERSON DURING THE PUBLIC PORTION**

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE**, James Schmidt was present via teleconference.

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Hollywood, all were in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Sammons asked if anyone had any questions or comments or an issue they would like to bring to the township committees attention to speak at this time.

No one spoke.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson to close the public portion, seconded by Mr. Hollywood, all were in favor, motion carried.

**PAY BILLS:**

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson to Pay the Bills, seconded by Mr. Poisker, upon roll call motion was carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

**RECESS:**

Motion to recess by Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Poisker, all were in favor, the meeting recessed at 7:22 PM.

Motion to re-enter the meeting by Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Hollywood, the meeting reconvened at 8:18 PM.

**Summary of Closed Session:**

Mr. Duffield summarized committee discussed 2 topics, the status of the negotiations of the PBA contract and Aura I Bond Claim status. No decisions were made.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Rambo, all were in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debora R. Pine, RMC, CMC  
Township Clerk